

Mark 5:21-43

A Girl Restored to Life and a Woman Healed

21 When Jesus had crossed again in the boat[a] to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. 22 Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet 23 and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." 24 So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. 25 Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. 26 She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. 27 She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, 28 for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." 29 Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. 30 Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" 31 And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" 32 He looked all around to see who had done it. 33 But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. 34 He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

35 While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" 36 But overhearing[b] what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." 37 He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. 38 When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. 39 When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." 40 And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. 41 He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" 42 And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. 43 He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

1 Samuel 1:1-18

Samuel's Birth and Dedication

1 There was a certain man of Ramathaim, a Zuphite[a] from the hill country of Ephraim, whose name was Elkanah son of Jeroham son of Elihu son of Tohu son of Zuph, an Ephraimite. 2 He had two wives; the name of the one was Hannah, and the name of the other Peninnah. Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children. 3 Now this man used to go up year by year from his town to worship and to sacrifice to the Lord of hosts at Shiloh, where the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were priests of the Lord. 4 On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; 5 but to Hannah he gave a double portion,[b] because he loved her, though the Lord had closed her womb. 6 Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the Lord had closed her womb. 7 So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the Lord, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. 8 Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?"

9 After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the Lord.[c] Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. 10 She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord, and wept bitterly. 11 She made this vow: "O Lord of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite[d] until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants,[e] and no razor shall touch his head."

12 As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. 13 Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. 14 So Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine." 15 But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. 16 Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time." 17 Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him." 18 And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your sight." Then the woman went to her quarters,[f] ate and drank with her husband,[g] and her countenance was sad no longer.

Week 2

I've been meaning to ask...
where does it hurt?

When It Hurts

I can tell that you're hurting.
It's the way your eyes cast down,
the way you shuffle through the house,
distractedly bumping into things.
It's the restless sleep and
the quiet space between us which
turns us into icebergs.
We float by, silent in the night,
most everything existing
under the surface.

I can tell that you're hurting.
It's the way your prayers were quick
at first, and then—none at all;
your silence challenging God,
daring God to say something to the void.
I can tell that you're hurting,
but I don't know what that feels like.

Tell me—
where does it hurt?
I'm not offering to fix the pain,
I'm not that powerful.
However, I am offering to see it.
Show me your scars,
and I'll show you that
you're not alone.



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**WHOEVER YOU ARE.
HOWEVER YOU HAVE COME.
YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.**

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Order of Worship **September 19, 2021, 10am**
17th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude “We Gather Together” arr. by John Carter

Welcome & Announcements
Moment for Mission

Call to Worship*

Here in this space,
we wear our hearts on our sleeves.
There is no use in filters or walls.
This space is an authentic space.
This space is a brave space.
For when it comes to God,
we are always invited to bring our full selves
into the room.
So come into this space with your hurt and your joy,
your prayers and your dreams.
All of God’s children are welcome here.
Let us worship Holy God.

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Opening Hymn GTG #735 “I Need Thee Every Hour”

Prayer of Confession*

Voice 1: I’ve been meaning to ask...
Voice 2: How are you?
What has your year been like?
Did you know that I have been thinking of you?
Voice 1: I have been meaning to ask...
Voice 2: Is your mom okay?
Did your sister find a job?
Did you ever think we’d still be here?
Voice 1: I’ve been meaning to ask...
Voice 2: Did it get easier?
Did the grief subside?
Were you ever able to sleep at night?
Voice 1: I’ve been meaning to ask but I haven’t—
Voice 2: Because it’s hard.
Because I want to say the right thing.
Because I’m not sure what you need.
Voice 1: I’ve been meaning to ask, so I’m sorry for my silence.
Voice 2: Forgive me. Show me where it hurts.

Prayer of Confession (cont.)

Voice 1: Let’s start again.
Voice 2: Family of faith, we could all use some practice in asking where it hurts.
Take a moment of silent prayer to think of the people in your world, in your lives, who may need you to reach out and ask. Give their names to God.
(Silent Prayers are offered)
Voice 1: Trusting that God hears all things, we say together:
Amen.

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Responsive Assurance of Pardon*

Family of faith, in the journey to love and care for one another, we are bound to make mistakes. Fortunately for us, we worship a God who showed us how to love, and who extends grace to us when we fail to do so for others.
So hear and believe the good news of the gospel:
We are seen. We are heard. We are loved. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God for this endless grace.
Amen.

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Gloria Patri #579 “Glory Be to the Father”

Moment for All Ages

Unison Prayer for Illumination

Eternal God, in the reading of the Scripture, may your Word be heard; in the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known; and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown. Amen.

Scripture (insert) 1 Samuel 1:1-18; Mark 5:21-43

Sermon “I’ve been meaning to ask...where does it hurt?”

Hymn of Response #363 “I want Jesus to Walk with Me”

Offering
Doxology

Unison Prayer of Dedication

Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, teach us to render to you all that we have and all that we are, that we may praise you, not with our lips only, but with our whole lives, turning the duties, the sorrows, and the joys of all our days into a living sacrifice to you, through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayers of the People*

Holy God, I know, I know, that you hear our prayers.
You are the God of hospital rooms and graveside services.
You are the God who felt a touch in a crowd. You are the God who sees and knows all pain—infertility and illness, despair and death.
You are the God of the hurt and the healing, so I know— I know, you must hear us today. So, with open hearts and open palms, gracious God, we come to you with our joy and our pain. With joy, we give you thanks for all the blessings in our lives...
We have so much to be thankful for, and we know that you are part of all of that. And yet in that same breath, we also carry pain. Like Hannah in the temple, who brought you her prayer (Alt: Like the hemorrhaging woman who pushed her way toward you in a crowd), we desperately need your ears, your grace, your healing touch.
So today we lift up to you all the hurt and pain we carry... We lift these things to you.
Holy God, we know, we know, that you are listening.
We know, we know, that you are here,
For you are the God of hospital rooms and graveside services.
Be among us. Hold our hurt. Heal our wounds.
Draw us closer to one another, and closer to you.
With the hope of people who dream, we pray together using the words your son taught us. . .

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The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom
and the power
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Closing Hymn #400

“When We Are Living”

Benediction*

Family of faith,
as you leave this place, may God grant you
the curiosity to counter assumptions,
the vulnerability to befriend, the bravery to speak your truth,
the wisdom to listen, the strength to ask for help,
the resiliency to chose love, even when it's hard,
and the awareness of the Holy Spirit always beside you.
In the name of the Great Connector—Love itself, go in peace.

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Postlude

“Festive Trumpet Tune” by David German



"Seen" by Lisle Gwynn Garrity | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org

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Church Calendar

Announcements and monthly calendar can be found in our weekly eNews!

Sunday, September 19

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| 10:00 am | Worship Service w/Sunday school |
| 11:15 am | Coffee Hour |
| 11:15 am | "I've been meaning to ask..." study |
| 11:30 am | Youth Group (Long Acre Farms) w/ VUMC |
| 7:30 pm | A.A. & Al Anon |

Tuesday, September 21

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| 10:00 am | Free Panera |
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Thursday, September 23

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| 7:00 pm | "I've been meaning to ask..." study |
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Friday, September 24

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| 7:00 pm | A.A. Meeting |
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Saturday, September 25

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| 5-6:30 pm | Community Dinner |
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Sunday, September 26

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| 10:00 am | Worship Service w/Sunday school |
| 11:15 am | Coffee Hour |
| 11:15 am | "I've been meaning to ask..." study |
| 7:30 pm | A.A. & Al Anon |

Monday, September 27

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| 7:00 pm | Deacon's Meeting |
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Fall Office Hours

Office: Mon-Thurs 9am-1pm
Pastor: Mon-Thurs 9am- 4pm